# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.

DOCKET NO. 7146

For Approval to Commit Funds in Excess of \$500,000 for Item ST-691, Installation of Leilehua #1 10/12.5 MVA Transformer.

<u>ORDER NO. 20152</u>

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Chief Clerk of the Commission

ATTEST: A True Copy KAREN HIGASHI

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I.

By Decision and Order No. 11465, filed on February 3, 1992, the commission approved the November 5, 1991 application of HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. (HECO) to commit approximately \$732,400 for Item ST-691, Leilehua #1 10/12.5 MVA Transformer (aka, the construction of a new Leilehua substation).

On September 9, 1998, HECO filed a motion to rescind Decision and Order No. 11456 and to close the docket.

II.

In support of its November 5, 1991 application, HECO submitted a study, which indicated that due to the projected load growth from the Mililani High Technology Park development and Waihuna development, a Wahiawa substation distribution transformer and an Upper Kipapa substation distribution circuit are expected to be overloaded under normal and emergency conditions in January, 1993. Consequently, the commission in Decision and Order No. 11465

approved the commitment of funds for the construction of the new Leilehua substation based upon, among other things, HECO's assertion that the present system capacity is inadequate to relieve the overloads. However, since our approval in 1992, HECO now asserts in its motion to rescind that certain facts and circumstances have changed.

Specifically, in support of its motion to rescind, HECO, among other things, makes the following representations:

- 1. Subsequent to the issuance of [Decision Order No.] 11465, the load growth due to the Mililani High Technology Park did not materialize as expected. A new load analysis and area review has determined that near-term load increases in the accommodated Leilehua area can be through re-circuiting of existing circuits. increases in the Leilehua area will be served by an adjacent substation.
- 2. HECO will continue to pursue the acquisition of land for a future Leilehua Substation to meet the long-term growth expected from the Mililani High Tech Park and a new Hospital. This acquisition will be performed independently of the application in Docket No. 7146, since the estimated cost is expected to be less than \$500,000.

Upon our review and in light of HECO's representations made in its motion to rescind, we find good cause to rescind Decision and Order No. 11465. Accordingly, we conclude that Decision and Order No. 11465 should be rescinded and this docket should be hereinafter closed.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 1. HECO's motion to rescind Decision and Order No. 11465 and to close the docket, filed on September 9, 1998, is granted. Decision and Order No. 11465, filed on February 3, 1992, is rescinded.
  - 2. This docket is closed.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 29th day of April, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Mayne H. Kimura, Chairman

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Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

By (EXCUSED)
Gregg J. Kinkley, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kris N. Nakagawa Commission Counsel

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20152 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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